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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Patent Application of:

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For: ADJUSTING A NUMBER OF DATABASE REPLICAS BASED ON A DEFINED THRESHOLD VALUE

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Enclosed are:

☒ 23 Patent Specification including an Abstract☒ 8 Pages of Claims☒ 4 Sheet(s) of drawings. ☐ Informal ☒ Formal☒ 1 Declaration(s) and Power of Attorney☒ Form PTO 1595 and Assignment of the Invention to IBM Corporation☐ A certified copy of a ☐ application.☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and copies of 8 references.

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